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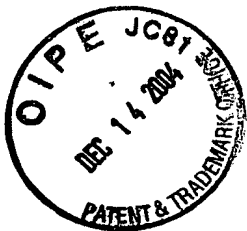
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**APPLICANT'S COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR
ALLOWANCE**

The Examiner's statement of reasons for Allowance lists some but not all, of the reasons for allowance. For example, each dependent claim contains additional limitations that may define over the prior art. The applications note that it is a well known tenet of patent law that each allowed patent claim stands alone. Further, although the Examiner has indicated at least one reason for allowance, there are other reasons that claims are allowable.

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